

The life off
the 70. Archbishopp
off Canterbury presentlye Sit-
tinge Englished / and to be added
to the 69. lately Sett forth
in Latin.



This numbre off seven-
ty is so compleat a number as it
is great pitie ther shold be one more: but
that as Augustin was the first/so
Marbaw might be
the last.

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A litle storie of the
 actes and life of Mathew now/
 Archbisshoppe of Canterb.

Sowe sithens we ha-
 ue declared many thinges
 which we thought specially
 worthy of rehersall con-
 cerning the state off corpus

A Christi coll. and the actes of certaine ma-
 sters therof: it remaineth that we drawe
 out the narratiō a litle longer for the fore
 said Mathew Parker his sake of whom
 we haue hitherto spoken those thinges
 which he onely did for the amplyfying
 and commoditie off the said colledge off
 the which he was mayster. But his prai-
 se was not shut vppe onely wythin those
 walls / but he being called from thence
 to other functions in the cōmon weale
 the / at the last did beare the highest offi-
 ce of the Ecclesiasticall ministerie. for he
 was the archbisshoppe of Canterburye
 Therefore in his hystorie (because his fa-
 me was more renowned then any of
 the maysters of whom we haue made

mention) we will stayer a litle longer / and
repeate the course of his life even from
his cradell. He was borne in that fa-
mous citie of the east Angles which ye cal-
led Norwiche in the yeere of the incarna-
tio of our lorde a thousand fyve hund-
dredth foure / the sixt daye of the moneth
of August / of honest parents citizens / his
father called willia / and his mother Ali-
ce / who caused his childhode to be instru-
cted in the elements of grammer (as the
coustome was then in the citie to frame
the witts of children) within their owa-
ne house till he was xviij. yeeres olde. At
which tyme being Past his Childhode /
his mother riddeth him of her house / his
father being dead / and sent him to Cam-
bridge / to the intent that the foundation
of learning beinge already laid by the
knowledge of grammer / he might finishe
the rest of the building in learning the
arts. Therefore in corpus Christi coll. he
was sustained at the first / wholly by his
mothers charges / of the which after a fe-
we monethes she being eased / he was
chosen into the number of those scollers
which are called bibleclarkes of the espee-
ciall

ciall duetye which they execute. He tra-
 uelled in logicke and Philosophie first in
 S. Maries hostell/the title and govern-
 ment wheroff pertained then to cor-
 pus Christi coll. vntill it ceased to be an
 house of learning for schollers. In these
 kindes of studye whē he had spent three
 yeres and a litle more/before the fourth
 was fully complete / he was made ba-
 cheloz of arte/and three yeres after that
 a mayster off Arte and fellowe besides off
 corpus coll. being first entered in all the ri-
 tes of holye orders. But now he being
 very well and perfectly instructed in the
 liberall sciēces/ * he applied all his myn As the court
 de to the studye of diuinitie/ and to the re- se of his
 adinge of the volūes of the ecclesiasticall liffe hathe
 fathers / and that so earnestlye/thar in declared.
 s horte space of tyme he bestowed his la for he gott
 bor nor vnprofitablye in this behalfe. for therby a be
 after the space of foure or fyne yeres he nefice or
 issuing frō his secret and solitarie studie two.
 into open practise in the common welthe * He that
 preached euerie where vnto the people Preacheth
 wth greate commendation / and that in the most famōs cities and places of this euery whe
 realme/by the auctoritie of king Henry re preach-
 the no where.

the viij. by whose lettres patentcs this
 was graunted vnto hi together with the
 licence of the. Archb. of Canterbury. In
 executing of this fūciū of preaching he
 gained this commoditie / that the same
 of him came vnto the eares of King
 Henry. wheruppon he being called into
 the Kings court / was ther / first made
 Chapleyne to Queene Anne while ſ he li-
 ued / afterward to King Hery the viij. and
 last off all to Edward the vj. when he
 Ruled the common wealch. All which
 prices bestowed on him very large / and
 plentifull Rewards for his diligence.
 for by favor off Queene Anne / he was
 made deane off Stoke / neere vnto Elare
 in ſuffolke. by the liberalitie off King Hen-
 ry / ther was geue vnto him a Prebend
 off the new erection in the church off
 Elye / when he was now Bachelor off
 diuinitie : after when he had clymed to
 the degree off doctorſhippe / by the
 Kings letters off commendation he was
 made maſter off corpus Chriſti colledge
 where he had ſpent his youth in lea-
 ning. Edward the ſixt not inferior to his
 father in bountifull and liberall nature /

* Charges
 liuinges
 enoughe for
 one man.
 But he
 ſhewed
 betymes,
 what ga-
 me he lo-
 ued. Paule
 ſayethe
 they ſche
 there owne
 not the thin-
 ges which
 belonge to
 Chriſte le-
 ſus. Philip.

in rewarding with free giftes the seruice
 off suche as pertained vnto him gaue
 him also his desert in the seconde yeere
 off his raigne/the^e deanerye off Licolne
 and the prebend off coringhā in the same
 church. He had besides by the gifte off
 the coll. where he was mayster/ * A good
 fice in the diocesse off Elye/called Land^e
 beache neere vnto Cambrydge: farther
 at this tyme he retayned and safelye held
 the deanrye off Stoke/against all the im
 portunate suit and complaints off di
 uers that labored for it / vntill the first
 yeere off Edward the sixt/when by a sta
 tute made at that tyme/ he was constrai
 ned to leaue that preferment / receyuing
 notwithstanding in recompence / a yee
 rely summe off 40. pounds out off the
 kings common treasorie. But the case
 was so / that at his first comming thither
 he was the author off building a
 scoole within the coll. off Stoke/ and off
 the apointing a yearly stipend vnto the
 scoolemaster / to the ende that they ouer
 mought be ther instructed in grammer
 and in the whole studye off humanitie:
 wherby by and by ther repaired thither

* what is
 to glory in
 their shew
 me which.
 Paule spea
 keth off if
 this be not

on heapes/ the sonnes aswell off noble/
as meane mē/ so that it grieved him abo
ue all thiges/ * either him selfe to forsake
* Wordly greif. did it greiue him to be frō his benefice frō his denery,
that goodlye compaigny off youthe/ or
that it shuld be scuered and dispersed as
gaine/ althoughe that by his trauaile he
had prouided before / that the scoole
shold haue some assurāce although weas
te and vnstedfast, But cōcernig the pro
motions wherwith the hōūry (as I haue
said) off Henrye the father/ and Edward

* To please vnto hym to be profitable vnto others
the sonne/ had largeiy enriched him he re
aped off them very * pleasant fruite/ vn
till the hard and troublesome tymes off
Queene Marie. In the seconde yeere off
whose raigne he was dispossessed off all
his goodes/ not enioying any cyther cōs
moditie or yeerely stipend. The which ex
treame calamitie was cōmon vnto him
with almost all the Bisshoppes off Eng
land and other ministers off the church
for many causes and pointes of Religiō/
and especially for that one: that they had
married wiues/ the which was lawfull to
the ministers off the church by the statu
tes off King Edward the sixt: establisshed
in two severall parliamentes/ and by the
cetera

eternall word off God aboue which for
any mortall man to presume / it is bothe
extreame madnes intolerable pride) per
mitted / and specially for auoyding off
whoredome commanded by S. Paule.
for this cause therfore he being deprived
off all thinges which he had attained to
by the bounrye off his lordes / he lurked
secreatlye for those yeeres wherin Quee
ne Marie raigned / within the house off
one off his frindes leading a poore life
whithout any mans aide or succour / and
yet so well contented with his lotte/
that in that pleasant rest and laisure off
his studye / he wold neuer in respect off
him selfe haue desired any other kinde
off life the extreame feare off danger os
nelye excepted / wherein he liued with
all good men / and that not without som
cause. for from the beginning off the rai
gne off Queene mary vntill the end ther
off very many Good men were burned/
not for murther / theft / whoredome / or
any other cryme / But onely for ther ma
nifest constancie in the Religion off
Christe and ther open professing off the
name off Christ against the Pope and all

his confederates. Whose deathe very
gloriouslye to ther praise wilbe remem-
bred together with the crueltye off that
tyme off all posteritie for euer. But that
sayning off the Prophet is full off cōfort/
that God chideth not allwaies neither
keperth his wrath for euer / and that off
the Philosophers also is true that no-
thing violent is perpetuall. For at this
tyme queene mary died when she had
reigned almost sixe yeeres / at which ty-
me God shewed his iustice to all that
were afflicted / and his iudgements to
those which had suffred wronge / for Eli-
zabeth the sister off Marie / a ladie off sin-
gulare wisdom and mildnes / expelled
out off her realme the bondage off Ro-
me / restored the pure doctrine off the
gospell / licensing the people to reade
the scriptures / and calleth them all ho-
me into ther countrie / which had wils-
linglye banished themselves before. At
wich tyme she preferred hi* for whose
praise this historie is compiled to the
dignitie off tharchbisshoprick off Can-
terbury whē / he a litell before had crept
out off his lurking hole into the open
sight

* Yow
shot at a
Good mar-
che.

fight off the world with his wife whom
 he wold not dismisſe all the tyme off
 Queene Marye/ a womā very chaſt and
 well manered and that did greatly re-
 uerence hir huſband off whom he begatt
 three children wheroff thoſe two which
 are onely aliue his care is to haue them
 instructed in all liberall lerning/ partlye
 in thuniuerſitye / and ſometimes at home
 in his houſe. * But how vnwillinglye * The beaſt
 he tooke vpon him this whither yow re that cō-
 call yt burthen or dignitie off the Arch- biſhopricke/ refuſing yt often times whē
 biſhopricke/ refuſing yt often times whē lingly to
 yt was profered / ther conſcience can the ſtake is
 witnes which haue not leaſt to doo in willingly
 the gouernment off the common wealthe caryed fra
 and ſuche as are in eſpeciall fauor with it.
 the Queenes highneſſe. But when he had
 once taken vpon him this chiefe cure and
 charge off the Chriſtian ſtocke/ how wiſ-
 ſely he behaued him therein for thoſe yee-
 res that are paſt/ with generall allowan-
 ce / conſent / and fauour off all Good
 men/ how diſcretly alſo in ſo great diuerſi-
 ſitie and diſſention off iudgements/
 how vprightly and ſincerely in other
 mens matters and controuerſies / with
 how

how great gentilnes and patience in
 ther mens wrath and displeasure / with
 what forbearing and sufferance to-
 wardes the euill that he might winne
 them / with what godlines in reconci-
 ling the stomakes off gentlemen and des-
 termining ther controuersies / how lothe
 he was that contumeliously they should
 drawe eche other into the law / * lastly
 * men may how often his voice was hard to sound
 easely tell owr off the holy pulpittes / as well off
 how often his cathedrall church / as the churches off
 wher the other meane townes and villages / espec-
 nombre is cially in this his old age / in his weake
 but smale. and crazed state off bodie / in the middest
 off so great busines / and in thes contas-
 gious and pestilent times. all thes thinges
 I will leave as matters vntouched /
 because ther are verie many which wis-
 thout me by the vew off his manners /
 and tried trade off his life / are able to res-
 port thes and many thinges moo : * But
 * What gre yt ys impossible that I an howshold wit-
 ater aduer- nes / occupyng my selfe in the setting
 sarie then a forth off so great praises / should obtaine
 mans owne credit what soeuer I am : notwithstanding
 conscience. that I speake the truth in differens
 ly

ly/and wold not applie my selfe to gaine the fauour off men by flattery. Therefore I will passe to the declaration off those thinges/ wherein I may easely auoid the infamous blemishe off flatterie/ for that ther are many which can witnes with me/ that he deserved no smale commendation/ because that after he had visited his diocese through owr by him selfe/ and not by any substitute / and which was more of his owne charges/ for that he freely remitted to all the parishes the summes off ther procurations which they should haue paid him for visitinge the diocese: that noble and famous palace off his see off Cāterbury by long continuance off time decayed/ rotten / consumed with fire and almost laid euen with the ground in all the buildinges theroff/ he reued/builed/ fully . restored and beautified yt with this faire and glorious shew wherein yt now florisherh/ not feared from this enterpryse either by the infinite labour and trauaile/ neither dissuaded by the want off necessarie thinges which should haue bene left him off his predecessors / nor by the dearth off the tyme

* Antony thought he had greatly pleased Tully because he killed him not unjustly.

* Ys it tyme to build your seculer howses and not tyme to build the howse off God. Ag. 1.

tyme nor by the wages off the laborers
 which were merueilously increased / nor
 by any other lettes or hinderances / But
 that he fully finished yt in the yeere off the
 incarnatiō off our lord is 64. the sixt yee-
 re off the reigne off Queene Elizabeth
 and in the 62. yeere off his age / and the
 fiftre off his consecration. In the which
 yeere he also endeuored to repaire the
 quires off thos churches which were las-
 tely come into his possession / off which
 sort he had very many in his diocese / par-
 tly by the exchange off auncient pos-
 sessions off the Archbishopricke / made bet-
 wene kinge Henry the eighthe and Tho.
 Archbishopp off Canterbury his prede-
 sessor / partly for an other exchange off
 the possessions off the Archbis hopricke
 by a statute establisshed for the same pur-
 pose / in the first yeere off Queene Eliza-
 beth before he obtained the See. The
 charges off which building / besides the
 yerely reparations off other howses /
 grew to the summe off a thousand foure
 hundredth powndes and somewhat more.
 The which he did the rather * for that he
 had heard that hall off the palaice with

* Turne mi
 ne eyes fro
 beholding
 vanity.
 Psal. 119.

in his remembrance singular and fa-
mous for the largenes theroff / to have
bene honored in the yeere off our salua-
tio 1519. by the presence as well off Char-
les the fiftt emperour / as off Henry the
eighth king off that name / with his wife
Batherine whom the Emperor came
then to see being his aunt. This hall
thos princes then occupied with all the
troupe off ther garde and retinue / so that
for all the princes affaires / for triumphes
and feastes the vpper part theroff
was appointed for the Emperor Charles
/ and the nether part for Henry the
King. But the chiefe cause that he coue-
ted to preserve the magnificence off that
hall was / for the memory off the corona-
tion off kinges and Queenes very off-
ten times celebrated in that place / and
the installinge off Archbisshoppes his pre-
decessors (which they commonly call in-
thronization) to whose sumptuous fea-
stes ther hath bene very great resort as
well off lordes / as gentilmen / with an in-
finite troupe of others to celebrate and ho-
nor that feast with ther presce. At which
feast in his predecessors times / certeine
dukes

with much * dukes and earles were high stewarden
aduo the by custome/ receiuinge an yeerly pension
kinge was and a reward fit for so great personages:
excepted as off late the duke off Buckingham
from the the inthronization off william warham
Archbis Arcbisbopp / in the yeere off our lord
shops ser 1504. The which solemnitie though the
uice. foresaid Mathew vsed not at his entrance
to the Arcbisboprick (as also did
not Reginald Pole Cardinall his next
predecessor / and some other off those
that were before him/ partly because they
were not able / partly for that the reuenues
off the Arcbisboprick were much
the diminis hed/ yf comparison be made
with the former tymes) yet remembres
bring that his forefathers in buildinge
a place so large and stately/ had no other
respect or consideration but feastinge
and hospitalitie / * he demerith by him selfe
by what meanes he might best enter
taine/ with this kind off curtesie in sumptuous
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off the great estates off Kent. For this
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ed a feast very magnifically and sum-
ptuously/wher vnto when they flocked
from euery place in great companies/he
placed them al at diuerse tables through-
out the hall/ which was garnished with
tapistery and other thinges very comely
and beautifull / brought out off flaun-
ders and Holland. and because he wold
want no guesstes/he provided that the iu-
dges (wich by an vsual terme are called
in that place Jorneyinge / and then only
at Canterbury and no wher els kept
ther iudiciall sessions) should repaire thi-
ther. At the which time also he badd al
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together out off the whole prouince/ for
the triall of the law/aswell gentilmen as
meane persones. At that tyme ther sate
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Phil. 3. 19.

and with all ther traine were present at
the feast off the Archbis hop. which feast
howe boūtifull it was in daintietates/
how well and orderly all thiges were ser
ued by the Archbis hops hows hold/how
well this his curtesie was accepted/how
oftē tymes the tables in the hall were fre
shly furnis hed with new guesstes the sãe
day/I coueting to be short will not here
declare/but I leaue it to the memorie off
thos which then were presēt out off the
whole cōuntrye. And * this curtesie in fea
sting was not at that time only shewed
by that occasiō but before also he vsed in
the same hall the like solemnitye at other
tymes : partly at whitson tide the Arch
bis hopp him selfe both preaching and
celebratinge the holy communion / first
in the cathedrall church / at which time
the prebendaries off the church / and the
Major off the citie with his brethzen/
and others inferior citizens togither
with many gentilmen off thāt contrie
bringing him home / dined in the same
hall / the places being so ordered / that
the Archbis hopp sate in the middest off
the high table / on his left hand the ma
ior and all the other men as euery man

excelled in dignitie and countenaunce/
and so on one side off the hall a continuus
all rowe of mē followed to other tables/
sett in order and seuered by a litle space
betwene / through out the length off the
hall. On his right hand sate onely some
noble women and the honorable wiues
off other men / leading frō every side off
his table a course and right line of woos
men through owt the length off the hall
altogether like and correspondent to that
rowe off men wheroff we spake before
The which order off placing was obser
ued in honor of the Queēes highnes / for
that vnder hir being gouernor of the re
alme / the said Mathew obtained his pla
ce. And this first furnishing off tables
thus ended / ther were others partly off
the Arschbishops familie / partly off the
cōuntry ther about which strait way satte
downe in their places which rose / in the
same order as before. And this manner
off feasting cōtinued by the space of two
daies nāely mōday and tuesday. Besides
this / the daye off the holye and insepara
ble Trinitye folowig (for he thought that
that daye ought especially to be solēlye ce

brated for the famous memorye off King
Henry the eighth who was the last res-
torer off the church and an excellent res-
former off euill ceremonies and customes
he spent in the like curtesye off en-
tertayning off guests the accustomed
praiers in the cathedrall church being fir-
st finished. At which tyme / one off the
chiefe ministers off the church / made a
sermon and Mathew tharchbisshoppe
himselfe / was minister off the blessed
communion and supper off our Lorde
vnto the people / standing in the vpper
ende / or corner off the church. The admi-
nistration off which comfortable ban-
quet after he had ended he went home
accompanied with the whole number
and congregation off the cathedrall
church / which sate downe to the festi-
uall dinner the said hall / and in the same
manner as before / with other chiefe mes-
sage both off the citee and countrey. Agai-
ne the three and twentieth day off July
folowinge / was the day off assize and pu-
blik meetings off the Iudges / and o-
ther off the prouince / either to vnderstan-
de / mens causes / or to punish manifest
off

offenders / as wee haue before declared
the said hall was likewise replenished/
only excepted / that the guests weare on-
ly gentlemen / and off the bestie off the
woomen being placed at very exquisite
fare / within the inner parlors. But as
mongest thinges whiche happened / vns
to him in his life worthe off memorye.
I reioyce especially for this his felicitie/
that whereas after Augustine the fyrste
Archbisshoppe / he was the seuentith / yet
he was both the firste / and only man/
that attayned vnto tharchbisshoplike di-
gnitie with out any blemishe or sport off
olde wiues superstitions and vnprofy-
table cerimonies off the Romishe Pope.
for as euery one off them entred firste
herunto by bulle / off approbation sent
from the Pope: so he was consecrated ne-
ther with these / nor any other olde / and
idell ceremonies off Arons ornamētes/
neither with gloves / nor sandales / nor
slippers / nor miter / nor pall / but more
chastely and religiously / according to
the puritie off the gospelle / fowre bishop-
pes beinge appointed accordinge to a las
wemade in that behalfe whyche placed

B in him

him in his chaire with sa godly promiss
 ses protested by him/as it is meete shoul
 de of a gossellike pastor. And yet this his
 (that I may so rearme it) ioyfull and so
 lempne daye he spent not negligentlye/
 but with garments cōly for a bis hoppe
 with godly praiers / off the ecclesiasticall
 ministers / and peopell / vnto whome a
 sermō was made by a learned religious
 and a professed bisshoppe in diuinitie / chi
 efly to admonishe the pastor of his dew
 ty / and faythfullnes toward his flocke /
 and cōtrarywise / the flocke off loue / obes
 dience and reuerēce whiche they ougthe
 to yelde to their pastor. The sermō ended
 when the companie presēt / had refres
 hed thē selues / by partakinge the spiritu
 all bāquett: they make an ende with ear
 neste praiers vnto god / that that functiō
 whiche was laide on him / by the clergie /
 mighte chiefly tende to the glory of god /
 to the saluation of Christian flocke / and
 the ioyfull testimonie off his owne cons
 science / by faythfull executinge of his offi
 ce / when yt shall happen him to departe
 vnto his lorde / to whome he vowed hym
 selfe. And the very same solemnpnitie / and
 māner of consecration / he vsed toward

* He that
 knoweth
 the will off
 his Master
 and doth it
 not shall
 bee beaten
 with many
 stripes.

his bietherne bishoppes vppon whome
afterward he laide his hande/ of the w
hich this is not to be let slipped by/ that
weare wee reade in historics / that sōe
one off his predecessors hath cōsecrated
vnto god in one yeare 3. 3. or 4. bietherne/
or at the moste 6. which thē was thought
very strange: to him it chaunced that in
the first yeare off his gouernmēt/ he cons
secrated 11. he cōfirmed 2. and the 2. yeares ^{Paul reioys}
followige he placed in their sees the wh ^{ced not off}
ole number of the bishops off Engelād those who
(saue only the bishoppe of Lādoffe) nam ^{me he had}
melye/ the first yere he placed bishope in baptised
London se a Edmond Gryndall/ in Elye but the fals
Richard Cokes / in worcestre Edwine se Aposte
Sandes/ in Bangor Rouland Merick/ les, as for
in Lincolne Nicolas Bullinghā/ in Sa ^{him he saye}
lisburge John Jewell / in S. Dauides/ ^{ch yowe a}
Thomas younge / in S. Asaph Richard ^{re my glo}
Dauid/ in Rochester Edmond / Gest/ in ^{ry and my}
Bath and welles Gilbert Bartley / at ^{ioy to the}
Lichfeld and Couentree John Benram. ^{The saloni}
And in the same yeare he confirmed wil ^{ans whom}
liam Barlowe somtimes bishope of Ba ^{be won to}
the and welles in Chichester and John ^{the Gosp.}
Scorie before bis pope off Chichester in the Gosp.

B uij Hers

1 Berforde: And in the second yere next
follownge he created william Alley bi-
shope off Exceter / John Parkhurst off
Norwich / Robert Horne off winches-
ster / Edmund Scamler off Peterbor-
rough. Thomas David off Sainte Asas-
phe/and Richard Cheyney off Glocestre.
Besides that / the same yere he confir-
med Archbis hoppe off yorke / Thomas
younge / translated from Sainte Davi-
des / and confirmed allso Thomas Da-
vid bis hope off Sainte Dawides/trans-
lated from Sainte Asaphe. And in the
yere off our Lorde 1564. when Antonie
bis hoppe off Landoffe died (who only re-
mained in his sea/and agreed to the reli-
gion/whereas thother bishopes created
in the time off Queen Marie / withelde
ther consent from the Religion establis-
hed in the generall assemble off all estas-
tes and orders/whereat they weare pres-
ent/in the which assēb'ye this lawe was
made that who so refused to professe the
receyued Religion should be deprived
off their authoritie/offices and promoti-
ons/as obstinat/in the number off who-
me as their weare many off the ecclesias-
ticall

sicall order / so wear ther as many
 which retained their dignities and pla-
 ces/professing with vs the restored reli-
 gion by A publi^{ke} or the ministred vnto
 them) in the rone off him being deade/
 he consecrated in the yere of oure Lorde
 1565. Hag he Saundes Doctor off Lawe.
 And in the yere 1666. he consecrated
 Nicolas Robinson Doctor off diuinitie
 into the bishoprike off Bangor / and in
 the yere 1567. he confirmed Henry Curs-
 win Doctor off Lawe in the bishoprike
 off Oxforde. The which pastores and fa-
 thers/ althoughe diuerslye professed in
 the Scholes off vniuersities/ yet all wes
 are/so well learned / that they knewe how
 we to distribute the liuely worde off the
 scriptures to the people off God/ with
 due respecte off tyme place and persone
 the whiche euery one off them very of⁺ As you
 ten or rather continually doth in the cus^{haue set}
 res committed vnto them the testimo^{your bias}
 nie wheroff. so runneth

But that wee maye speake sumwhat^{your bowe}
 off his manners and life/ off whom wee le.
 presently entreat/ I can saye thus muche The day
 that he was so thrifye an hus bande by willeri.
 B v that

that frugall waye/ whiche he toke in dis
 sposing the yeerely reuenues off tharch
 bis hopricke/that by his prudēt sparinge
 the rentes suffized for those great char
 ges / which he was at by reason off his
 firste frutes / and subsidies paide vnto
 the Queene/and other necessarie expens
 ses / whiche he laied out in the begining
 ge off his gouernement / for the pro
 vision of housholde stufte/and implemen
 tes/and by reason off hospitalitie. And
 yet he so liberally ordered the frutes/w
 hich he reaped / and receiued off his Ar
 chiepiscopall dignitie/that withwhome
 soeuer he delte/ in byinge necessarie thin
 ges for the vse off his familie/ether we
 etlye he rēdered their money vnto them/
 or at the moste/he differred it not to the

By his bea
 ping vpp
 of liuige by
 hauinge of
 charges wi
 thout doin
 ge of dew
 tie by sum
 ptuous fea
 end off three monethes/ so that neuer a
 ny man sued him for debte. And it ses
 meth that his greatest + care thorowe
 ought his whole life / was that in euery
 estate off life / he might liue from day to
 day with a good testimonie off conscie
 ence / before god / and out off the debte
 off euerye man / the which he especially
 abhorred/ whearin he wisely considered
 bothe

bothe the shorthnes off mā's life/and the stinge by
profitte off his creditors/ who he was great coste
vnwillige shoulde suffer any losse for his in brautic
sake/for that they trusted him so frendly and Lordly
for all the furniture off his howse: which pompe as is
losse perchaunce shoulde haue happen before de
ned vnto them iff for the moste parte clared.
off those thinges which he boughte off
them he had not paide them their mo
nye before his death.

He therfore leadinge his liffe so vppri
ghtlye and in differentlye / althoughe by
reason off the possessions off his landes
diminished / he coule not benefitt his
* seruants with any great prefer
mentes / or rewardes : yet their are very * you shall
fewe amōgest them on whome / he hath bee better
not bestowed sumwhat / that maye consydered
succor ther necessities. Which yff ye no doubt,
weare all together gathered in one sus
me / it woulde come to no smale deale/
considering the shorte tyme off his ad
ministration. Besides that all thins
ges are so deare / that the stipend
which he yerely genty to his seruants
is greater then off any his prede
cessors. He also often tymes bestoweth
on

on them more then couenantt/ especials
 ly to his needye seruantes / in whome he
 hath perceiued honestie / diligence and
 trustines in his affaires. By which wise
 gouernmente / he serued vnto me to res
 member the mortalitie off man / theins
 constancie both of life / and death/
 which often tymes taketh A man a waye
 vnawares / and to be myndfull allso to
 lessen and diminishe his charges/so that
 if he had longer to lue / he might haue
 whearwith to mayntayne his greate
 costes and expenses. And it cannot be ot
 herwise / but that this was his minde
 and meaning/because that off all the sen
 tences off the scripture/he especially cho
 se that one / out off John the apostel/the
 which / as he oftentimes vsed in his
 daylye talke/ so he caused it to be writen
 on the walles of his house and the glasse
 off his windowes (the * worlde passeth
 and the concupiscence theroff) whearby
 he was wonte to call into his minde/
 the brittlenes off mans life / and the vas
 nitie theroff/learninge therby / to repose
 his trust vpon God alone/ and wholly to
 applye hymselfe to his will/ commaun
 dement/

* The Pha
 rises did the
 lue in the
 he of their
 garments.
 The worl
 de laughe
 the at it.

dement / that when he should gine an
accompt off his stewards hippe / God
might not * finde hym vnprovided / nor
set vpon hym vnarmed. And to the end
that his mynde might more vehemen-
tlye be stirred to the meditation hereof /
he caused to be grauen in iharcbis ho-
pes scale / the manner off the last iudges
ment / wheare Christ sitteth gloriouflye /
and with maiestye / to iudge the quick /
and the dead / vitteringe this voyce full of
cōfort to his chōsen / come ye blisfed /
and that other woefull voyce to the re-
probate / goe ye cursed. Besides A man
may theare see the images off the dead /
grauen / comminge out off theare gra-
ues to iudgment. And that he might sig-
nifye / that men off his estate / seeldome
founde such counselors / as would bōla-
diye / and freely tell thē off there duetye /
it happened by wise advise off the he-
rauld / that suche armes weare allotted
hym (as the vse for noble personages)
which both might expresse thancient ar-
mes of the stocke from whence he issued /
and might admonis he hym also off his
honor / and office in the church / in that
that

• God be
mercyfull
vnto him if
it be possi-
ble: lest he
finde him
beatinge
his fellowe
seruants.

that starres weare added to his armes.
 Whearunto Gualter Haddon Doctor of
 lawe/a man off singular learninge/and
 authoritie (whome our most noble
 Queene Elizabeth appointed to be one
 off the Masters off the requestes / and
 Mathew hym selfe hadd made hym chi-
 efe Iudge off his prerogative court)
 very finely alluded in these verses.

The Keyes of auncient parentes tokens are.
 Fro soueraigne prince doth coe the tripell starr.
 So vertue, learninge, power, conspire best,
 And sowe the pleasant feedes , of quiet rest
 But yet the ioyes of life to ende do hast,
 And man but dust before, to dust shall wast.

His Father
 was an ho-
 nest poore
 man a scou-
 rer or Ca-
 lender off
 worsteddes
 of Norwic
 ch so Kno-
 we and
 taken.

Whearupon/as he acknowledged the
 Keyes to pertyne vnto hym by the las-
 we off nature/and inheritaunce / as lefte
 hym off his fore * fathers/from whome
 he descended/yett he thinketh them espec-
 ciallye to agree with hym / by reason off
 his spirituall function/which is wiselie
 to open and shunt the Kingdome off hea-
 uen to the Christian congregation / in
 the which meaninge / the Keyes weas-
 re

re deliuered vnto Peter / and to all that
execute that spirituall office in church of
preaching the gospel.

But whearas we see the Keye thrise
in his armes / that hath respecte to Pe-
ters conuenaunt made with Christ vns-
der that worde (feede) * thrise repea-
red.

* O deepe
diuinitie, th
archbis ho
pe hath thr

Lastly the starres represent that off-
Danyell: The learned shall shine as the
brightness off the firmament / and they
which instructe manie in the waye off
righteousnes as starres for ever and
ever.

ee keies be
cause Chr-
ist saied pa
see
Nay rather
because he

As therfore the starres bringe him in-
to the remembraunce off his spirituall au-
thoritie / ad office / soe also by the starre
learneth to remēber what is required of
him / that by the purenes off his lighte /
he should shine to other / and by the he-
auenly doctrine off the worde / should
bringe againe into the lighte the cōgre-
gation off Christ / which nowe a greate
while hath miserably lyen hidden / and
ouerwhelmed in grosse darknes / by the
traditions and heaping
ge in of idell and ignoraunt that can doe nothinge, that har-
dlye doth anie mā enter the ari.

locketh vp
the King-
dōe of hea-
uē soe fast
by holdinge
out of mini-
sters that
might pre-
ache the
worde,

traditions off men. And that he might
not altogether forgett himselfe (as theye
are wont to doe which are sett vpp aloft
in the hyest roomes off the worlde) he
was wonte to rubbe his minde / with
the memorye off that sentence / that all
fame/estimation/honor / all magistrats
hippes/be theye off neuer so ample au-
thoritye/all titles and names howe glo-
rious soeuer theye seeme in the eyes off
men for a tyme / yett att the last / as the
whole world it selfe / and all brittle and
transitorye thinges / theye shall peris-
he / and decaye. And in this sorteres
asoninge with him selfe /he passed by all
the entisments / off the worlde neither
stayed at them / as att the rockes off
the Syrenes. Therfore agreinge vnto
Paule /that he hadd not herre an abiding
ge citye/accordinge to his meaninge/ he
sought that which was to come. The
which as it hath in it selfe / the greatest
certaintye / and safetye / soe this life is
vnconstant and corruptible/foras much
as all fleshe is grasse / and all the glorye
off man is as the flower off the grasse/
which quicklye is cutt downe and wis-
thereth.

thereth. In the which frayle/ and transi-
torye lyfe/ he was carried forward with
a continuall desiere/ to profue the church
off god/ for that he thoughte/ he coude
not bestowe his laboure better on anye
thinge (consideringe the place which he
occupied) the in the busie searchi off the
opinion off Doctores off his tyme and
conferinge them with the writers off
all ages. Besides he was verie carefull/
and not without some charges/ to seeke
out the monumetes/ off foremer tymes/
to knowe the religion off thancient fa-
theres/ and those especiallye which we-
re / off the Englishe church. Therefore
in seekinge vpp the cronicles off the
Brittones and Inglish Saxons/ which
laye hidden euery wheare contemned
and buried in forgetfullnes / and thro-
ugh the ignoraunce off the Languages
not wel vnderstanded / his owne especia-
lly/ and his mens diligēce wanted not.

And to the ende / that these antiquitis
might last longe / and be carefuly
kept/ he caused them / beinge broughte
into one place to be well bounde and try-
mly couered, And yet not so contented/ he

demored to sett out in printe/certaine off
those aunciente monumentes / wheras
roff he knew very fewe examples to be
exrante/and which he thoughte woulde
be most profitable for the posterys
rye/to instructe them /in the say the and
religion off the elders.

Heere vpon / he caused the perpetus
all histories off the inglishe affaires / by
Mathaeus Parisiensis once a Monke
off Sainte Albans / and Mathaeus
Florilegus a Monke off Sainte Pe-
ters in we. m inster / written in latin/
to be printed / after he had diligently
conferred them with the examples / whi-
ch he coulde gett in anye place / to
the ende / that as sincerely as might
be/as the authors first left them / he mi-
ghte deliuer them into mens handes.

Lastlye that he mighte not be vnmind-
full off those monumentes which both
in antiquitye / worthines/ and autho-
ritye excelled all other / or rather whes
are with none are to be compared (I
meane the hoie scriptures) heere he
thoughte to doe great good/ if by his nu-
ber / he increased the hoie Bibles / whi-
ch

hich shortly woulde be wantinge vnto
to manye Churches / iff this discom-
moditie weare not prouided for in tyme.
Therefore it seemed good vnto him
first with his learned seruantes to exa-
mine thorowghlye thingis the transla-
tion / where in he partlye vied the helpe
off his bretheren Bishoppes / and
other Doctores / with whome he delte
so diligently in this matter / that they
ye disdained not to be parteners and
fellowes with him off his labour.

And now all * there worke is sett
out in verie fayer formes / and letters
off prynces / and that not without grea-
te * frute (we hope) to all them / which
desier accordinge to the prescrip-
tion worde off God / to worshippe God /
to yelde there dutifull obedience to the
re Prince / and to profit there contrarye
to there pouer: and lastlye / to all those /
that by the mercye off God in Christ
ste / doe thirste for the health off the-
re soules / and the enioyinge off the life
to come.

The chap-
laynes draw-
uiled, and
the Bishop
es brought
forthe,
* Let men
iudge whe-
re
good by bre-
gige in that
transla-
as harme

But it happened vnto him / when he by stayinge
E h sawe the Geneva

sawe the happye finis hnge / and ende
of the foresaied worcke / that he was soe
affected in minde / as that holy man Si
meon off whome Luke the euangeliste
maketh mention. Thefore in the same

* And youe sorte as he / he spake within * himselfe.
harde it be Nowe letest thou thy seruau^t o Lorde
inge with. depart in peace / for mine eyes haue seene
out him : thy saluation / &c. Finallie / the morrall
els howe condition off man cominge into his min
knewe yo^r de (with the memorie whearoff / he was
ue it. wonte offentimes in his sermones / to
rubbe other mennes mindes / lest death
shoulde finde them vnprepared / at any
tyme) he thoughte / that for hym beinge
nowe an old man / it was especialle re
quisite / to bende his whole minde / and
studie / vpon the meditation off mans
frayltie. Thefore he carfullie prouided /
lest at anye tyme the remembraunce
heeroff / shoulde be driven out off his
minde: first fittie and conuenientlye dis
posinge his worldye substance : and
then by discribinge the manner off his
buryall: thirdly by apointinge his Toms
be off blacke Marbell / to the ende he
mighte haue it readye and furnished
for,

for euerye occasion off death. And this
 Tombe off purpose he caused to be made
 of noe exquisite worke/but smother/stre-
 ighte/and plaine/thinkinge it enoughe if
 beig represented to the eie/it mighte serue
 eyther for him selfe/ while he liued/as a
 token/or monumente off his vncertaine
 estate / or when he was deade / as a tes-
 timonie to his posteritye / what princis
 pall place by the bounrye off his Prince
 he obteyned in Christe his commō wel-
 the. The whiche commoditie / and pro-
 fit he receiued not rather off his tombe/
 then off the inscription off his epita-
 phe/thauthor whereoff was a frend off
 his/and one that bare office vnder him/
 Doctor Gualter Haddon. In whiche
 epitaphe / although he acknowledgeth
 that Haddon speaketh more off him
 then he deserueth yet he thinketh him sel-
 fe to bee forwarned by that frendly com-
 mendation/that while he liueth/and oc-
 cupieth the hieste Rome off the spiritus
 all authoritie / he shoulde endenour to
 his powre/to come as neare as he maye
 to those thinges which are attributed
 vnto him.

And that
 he was a
 blacke bis-
 shoppe to
 the chur-
 che off Eng-
 lande.

Mathew Parker liued sober and wise,
 Learned by studie and continuall practise
 Louinge, true, off lyfe vncontrolde
 The courte did foster him, both young, and old.
 Orderly he delt, the ryght he did defend,
 He lyued vnto god to god he maad his ende.

So contrynually waightringe / when
 god shall call him / and willingly content
 at the pleasure off god / either to lue long-
 ger in this his estate / and to continew
 his life / or by and by to leaue it / and to
 laye downe all thinges partrayning vnto
 him / that the wisdomme off god may dis-
 pose and order them / howe and to what
 vse soeuer it shall please him / he yeldeth
 and commendeth himselfe whollye into
 the tuition off God the father / god / the
 sonne / and God the hoily ghoſte re-
 whome bee honor and
 glorie for euer
 Amen.

Glory vnto
 god, and cō-
 fusion to
 his enemy-
 es which
 perseuer in
 their wick-
 ednes.

To the Christian reader / peace in Christe / and
warre with Antes
Christe.

If vppon the tombe off that Assy-
rian Queene of Babylo / in stead
off that description (Heare lieth
hyd great treasure) ther had bene graue-
en in golden letters: vnder this tombe/
thow shalt finde a precious library off
excellent bookes / for all kinde off lear-
ninge / and a storehouse off knowledge /
surely yt had ben no suche sacrilidge /
for Darius to haue ransacked the de-
ad womans graue: nor he himselfe so
worthelye noted off foule coueteous-
nes / that would violate suche sacred
places / thorough a moste vnholiy hun-
ger off golde.

But rather yt had tourned all the
contrary to his praise / who euen in the
earth / and a monge dead men / would
haue soughte / and digged for suche a
myne off knowledge / as surpasseth
E uij all

all treasure. yea though he had founde
nothinge but a womans bones / as he
did not in deed / yet his commedable and
Prince worthy thyrste off knowledge/
had excused his ignorance / off seekinge
Musas inter Manes / and the blotte had
been iustly retourned to her selfe / for ta-
kinge pleasure in prouokinge any man/
by false promyses to take in her as hee.

But this Queen was a woman / a he-
athen / and a stranger from god / yea wis-
thout god / and therewithall had no me-
aninge to deceiue / for hurte / but only to
chastise such extream avarice / and to
teache them by / and make more religious/
wise / and warye Darius / or any other/
that shoulde come to disquiet her deade
sleeping bones. She is not only therfor-
re to bee excused / for this disguisinge her
grauē / but much more prayse worthe
is she / then he whosoever it was that
off late hath sett forth / to the hurte off
Christian men / certaine / Rapsodies/
and shredes off olde forworne sto-
ryes / all most forgotten / had he not
we latlye awakened them out off a dead
sleepe / and newly sewed them together
in one

in one booke / printed / whose glorious title
promiseth not mountaines off gold / as
that seely heathen womans tombe / but
bearerh Christ in the browe / and is ho-
nested with this title in the fronte. De
antiquitate Britannicæ Ecclesiæ & pri-
uilegijs Ecclesiæ Cantuariensis cum
Archiepiscopis eiusdem septua-
ginta. As though it weere somme wors-
thy monument / and riche hoorde / whe-
arin had been honorable buried / great
heapes off the knowledge / and acres off
the first Christian infancie of this church
off England. And yett hauinge rolled a
waye that glorious grauestone / off that
counterfaiete title / and sekinge further
into it / appereth a very painted sepul-
chre / gorgeouslye decked wih the that out-
ward onelie name / and within full off
broken shank bones / and reliques off
dead carcases / yea nothings / but a very
charnell howse / off brainlesse vnlearn-
ed stulles / off suche men as wear wis-
cked in their life / and not worthy any
memorye beinge dead. whose rotten bo-
nes / yet if they had been closed in lead /
and well spiced / seared / and handsomly
laid

layde vppe together / peraduenture they
might haue been kepte from sauoringe
ye yet a while: but they are so hurled
together / with out embalminge / or
oither preseruatue / that the matter
beinge off yt selfe moste vncleane / is
yet by the manner off handlinge (iff
yt bee possible) made more vncleane
and filthie.

The title / as it is saide / De antiqui-
tate, & cetera. Onely a fewe thinges
are saide for preface / touching the
first preaching off **C**riste in this our
I lande: but the whole bodie off the
booke is / humbasted with the swellins
ge pompes off the Archprelates of Can-
terburye. wherein / as ther is no suche
clerkly handlinge / as is to bee wons-
dred at (for ther is suche confused
shufflinge together as iff h's metho-
de had been Take yt amonge yow)
so ther is no such chaste dealinge / as we
are to bee wished. For many bastard
tales / off thadoulterouse synagogue
off Rome / are intermingled: so that
the greatestte care off the workman
seemed to bee / perhapes a litle for
that

that firste parte off the treatise / de an-
tiquitate Ecclesie Britannicæ : and
much more for the seconde Parte de
Priuilegijs Ecclesie Cantuariensis: But
moste off all for this thirde parte, De
Archiepiscopis eiusdem septuagin-
ta, & cætera.

For after two or thre and twentie
leaves spent superficially in that mas-
ter (off antiquitie I mean off the
Englishe Church) and two or thre
tables (whearoff one very folsh beate the
leaste) ther beginneth as it weare a new
we stately worke / continued in two
hundreth And odde leaves (and yet
Apex is not added) off the liues firste
off the primatiue fathers off that
Church / the foundation whearoff is
luckely laide / in that Apostate / not
Apostell Augustine (for he made this
Church Apostatate (as they call yt) syn-
ding Religion here more sincere / and
Christian / then he leste it: hauinge brous-
ghe in nothings but vniformitie in
singinge / syttinge / and such other
semely

scmely orders off Rome) and then descending in a rowe to all his successors in that sea/or rather arme off the mayne sea off Rome / euen to him that presensly sits/and takes his case therin. Whearin who so euer will but consume a litle tyme shall finde that / to sett forth thantiquitie off the sincere knowledge off Iesus Christe/and the first preaching theroff in this lande / thoughe it bee firste intituled/yet is it leaste/and laste / in treatie/ sett rather for a commendation to the booke/ then that it was in any recommendation to the author : yea used only for a pretence and color to insinuate into the magnifieng off that magnificent seignorie and Archipiscopall territorie off Canterburie / and by all means possible to vante the preheminece/ and supereminence off that princely Archpastor and pastorall Archprince/ the firste father and Peter (as I maye saye) off which succession / he maketh that superstitious monke/and wicked man/Romish Austen. Who as he obtruded himselfe vniuersall Archbishoppe to all England/ and wan it not by the worde / and spirit

spirite / but by the sworde and bloude
(for he was the fyrebrand off a fraye
whearin one and twentye hundreth
monkes/good men (as good men went
in those daies) and in comparison off
him in deed holy saintes besides other
men off warre were all innocently slay
ne and murdered only because they refus
ed to submit their neckes to his Arch
iepiscopall yoke which they sawe him
so ambitious ly seeke) so he the same
stien hauinge thus gotten by conquest
this vniuersall vicepapaci ouer
England because his procedinges shulde bee like
his entrie / with like apostolike humilis
tie / and meeknes he iusteled for a place/
whear to fasten his chayre/ and by plai
ne wronge (as wronge maye bee saide
herwene wrongdoers) wrange from
the Archbishoppe off London (for ther
had been before the Archiepiscopall sea
as allso saierth that boke) all Archiepisco
pall iurisdiction / pall/and crosse/cum per
tinentis/ and contrary euen to the pope
his holy fathers commandement/trans
lated the same to canterburie. Whear it
was sette and settled to haue and to hol

This be la
lis b Austen
is he that
in a pre
face to an
english Bis
ble latly
printed is
forsooth
called sain
te Austen.

de / to him and to his successors there /
for euer / vnder paine off the great exco-
mmunication / and many a blacke curse /
thundred by diuers popes / after which
are ther recited for the greater terror /
to scare them / that shoud at any tyme
attemple aga inste that holy sacred
sea.

And because yt might not seeme
to bee placed there lyghlye / nor wis-
thout the consente off the godes / or
decree off the destinies bee reciterh
once or twise a profound vaticination
off Prophet Merlin / a worthy Pros-
phet / for suche a church / and his Pros-
phetical woordes are pointed out in
great capitall letters. *Dignitas Londonie
adornabit Doroborniam* / that as the
church off God / hath her holy Apostles
les / and longe before Prophetes Pros-
phcyng by the spirit off God / and
hath them for foundations : so allso that
degenerate church / might bee founde
ded in her proude / and nothinge lesse
then Apostle Augustine / and establis-
shed by suche conueringe witches /
and coleprophetes / seduced by the ly-
inge

inge spyrite as was Merline.

The tree off this succession nourished
with the sape off the crabstocke whereon
it was unhappely graffed / not vnlike to
the manner off conquerers / and tyrans /
sought by all meanes to aduance / and
enlarge this ther newlye wonne domi-
nation. For they deuoured vpp quite an
Archbischoprike off wales and drow-
ned it in the botomlesse sea off Canter-
bury. Somwhat they strained at the
vnderbischoprikes / ther making a cons-
cience to swallowe suche gnates / and
therfore off ther great Good grace /
were contente they should not vs-
terly lose their beinge / but remaine
to encrease the number off ther sub-
iectes. By which / hamfull struglinge
they obtained to sit vppon ther fello-
we Archbischoppe off yorke / and to
tread vppon the rest therre brother bi-
shoppes in Englande.

And hauinge thus preuayled in
England and conquered (for so he ter-
meth yr) yorke / whome he could nei-
ther beare superioure with pompey
nor suffer aequal with Caesar /

for

For he plainly chalengerth a superioritie
and fealtie off him. Then boasteth he w^h
hat a motherlie estimation is receyved
with the churches in Scotland / euen
then / when he knoweth no milke was
to bee sucked from her / but poison.

From Scotland he takes shippinge
and popelike steppes ouer into Ireland /
and thence ouer againe into fraunce /
Gasconie / Normandie / Aquetaine / and
ther (saith he) it ouercame all the chur
ches in Iurisdiction aliso. If this bee to
watch ouer one prouice in a realme / like
an Archbisshope / and not rather aspirins
glye / to affect a popedome ouer many re
almes / iudge ye. It wilbe no answer /
to saye that the kinge off England / bein
ge then soueraigne off Ireland / and fra
unce in possession / might aswell appoint
one Archbisshope ouer all those regions /
as ouer England / or on prouince therein.
for if the Archbisshopes nose must bee
so longe / and that he must haue suche el
bowe Rome / then lett vs hear what the
Pope / who is next a boue the Archbissho
pe will saye. Surely / he will singe the
very same songe for him selfe. The em
perour

perour off Rome soueraigne over all
thes parties off the worlde / made me
generall Bisshoppe a boue my brethers
ne.

But this Argument/and suche like/is
the principall content off those two or
thre and twenty leaues/ yea off that title
which he entreareth in those fewe first
leaues. De antiquitate Britannicæ Ec-
clesiæ, the very firste chapter sheweth
what is the chiefe subiecte. For the title
off that firste chapter beinge/De veru-
state Britannicæ Ecclesiæ testimonia,
the very first wordes being Tractaturi
de Cantuariensibus Archiepiscopis,
and the last chapter off thes few leaues/
a description off the towne off Canter-
burye/ who seeth not that neither in begi-
ninge/middest/nor end/ he could dissem-
ble his meaninge/and that thauncientye
off thenglishe Church is but a vizard for
that wormeate Church of Caunterbury/
to maske vnder / the bolder to boast hir
off her louers / and to whisper such vn-
cleanly speeches/ as she durst not haue
vitered barefaced impudent thoughte

she be/and past all grace. Elles durst she
 Thauthori- not affirme / in tempore presenti, that
 tie off Thar Archiepiscopi Cantuariensis autoritas
 chbif hope nō certis atq3 definitis Archiepiscopa
 of Canter- lis aut Metropolitice iurisdictionis can
 bury is not cellis continetur, sed ordinaria libera
 contained peneq3 arbitraria per suā Prouinciā ex-
 withincer currit atq3 diffunditur. Twene this pas
 taire and li serth the boudes off the newe testament.
 mixed boun The processe off those two or three
 des off Ar- and twētye leanes is answerable to the
 chiepsco- begininge. For a great part is spent in
 pall or Me shewing howe many tributary bis hops
 trapolitai- he hath vnder him / and then he calls
 ne iurisdic- leth his suffragāes and their dioceses his
 on, but ordi- entire prouince/and but their severall pa
 narie free- rishee/yea the Archbis hoppe off yorke
 and almost himseife/hath been/and executed/the pla
 as it will it off a suffragane to the Archbis hoppe off
 selfe, rūeth Canterbury/at the consecration off an in
 and is pow- ferior Bis hoppe.
 red a bro- An other great parte is in the honors
 ad throug- done by the other Bis hopps/ to ther Ars
 he his owne & prelate of Canterbury/what highe pla
 prouince. ce he hath above the rest:howe honoras
 ble a Rome it is to sit on his right hand/
 and

an dnext him on his left hand how all
the Bishopes must sweare Canonis
call profession/ obedience/ and subiectus
on/ to the iurisdiction/ powre/ and em-
pire off Canterbury priuiledges/ and li-
beaties: what a prerogatiue it was/ for
the Bishoppe off London/ to saye the
fithie masse before him/ and to bee his
iusticius/ the Bishoppe off Salisbu-
ry to bee Chaunter/ and further more/
how highlye the Bishoppe off Roches-
ter esteemed yt to bee his Pontificall
crucifer: what a worthye reputacion
the Bishoppe off winchestre thought
yt to bee his Chauncellor/ and for a
commendacion off honour/ to carie him
the golden pax/ for his superstitious
lippes to kisse. And therupon an ambis-
tious occasion/ caught to pull in by the
heare off the heade/ a letter from the
Bishoppe off winchestre/ whearin he
writeth him selfe his chapleyne/ and at
his deuotion.

Then followeth the Lorde suffraga-
nes/ whiche euery vnderbishoppe may
haue vnder him/ because he may the bet-
ter bee non residue from his charge/ and

D q all

all this without any taxinge / so that at
last / the poore minister that watcheth in
deede / is but the mans man off the Lorde
de suffragane / who is the mans man off
the Archbis hoppe. Ther is discoursed at
large the ambitious / and traiticall Hies
romachie / betwene the two Hierarches
off Canterburye and yorke / for the pas
pacie in England and by the waye off a
perye brawie / and subquarell betwen
yorke / and duresme / for Archiepiscopall
Jurisdiction in that prouince.

In all these thinges / is ther to bee
noted / a maruelous carnall / and worl
dly affection borne to Canterburye sea.
For besides yow shall see diuers very
odious / and proud comparisons / with
the Archbis hope off yorke / both for the
bargeines off Imperiaall precinct / and
allso for courteous vsage towards his
subiecte Parishes. For with these nam
es / he is contente to debase his vassel
Bishoprikes. And this is a taste of the
Church honors / and spirituall subiection
whiche the sea off Canterburye chalengerh.

The ende off that thre and twentye
leafe is a preface off his temporall prin
cipals

cialities priuiledges / and prerogati-
ues / which is begonne with a worthy
sentence out off John Capgrau off Pos-
pe vrbis / whoe with his owne vnholye
mouthe pronouncd Archbis. Austyne
off Canterburye / worthy to be an other
Apostolicall Bishoppe / and Patriarch
off an other worlde / yea almost his fello-
we / to the great honour (noe doubt) off
his successors off Canterburye. In this
parte is it somewhat trauiled. For verie
substanciallye / he beginneith with his di-
uision off the righes / and prerogatiues
off that see. Some sayeth he are sett out
in the lawes / and be commō with other
Archbis hopricks: some are absolute and
peculiar / vnto him selfe / without all la-
wes / or not expressed in the lawes. His
righes prescribed / and circumscribed in
the lawes / are confirmation off his pro-
uinciall Bishoppes / which without gre-
ate impietie / maye be done noe wheare
lausfullye but in Christes Church at Can-
terburye.

The nexte is what greate tributes / es-
nerye made Bishoppe payed him: So-
we they enterteined his whole hous-

holde/or courte for the tyme with sum-
ptuous feastinge.

Howe deereley they redeemed thes
re owne clothes / and carpetes at his
Chaplines handes: what fees weare be-
stowed on his crucifer / Marshall / and
other seruantes. All which plentiful bo-
untie / or rather he might haue sayed/
immoderate largis / is shrunk vpp/
he saith / to a small sum off them poun-
des somen at besade but very smal besta-
red hemight haue sayde rasle arraic vpo
the Archbisshope family. For suerly thou-
ghe in the behaife off the Archbisshope
that booke semeth to bringge the shoul-
dere / and to wringe as though his fees
weare to neerlye pared / yet suerlye
me thinke it is verye muche / for one bro-
ther / to take off an other / for that which
shoulde be bestowed francklye / espe-
ciallye hauinge so liberally besides off
the Prince and common wealde.

Nowe followeth his righte off vi-
ringe other menes Diocesess duringe
his visitation all other inferior Bishops
pes iurisdiction / to ceaso / an onlye at
his pleasure / to reuoke / and reforme
what

what theye haue doneto call synodes
in there Diocesſe / to ſupplie there de-
fectes / and that without anye con-
uiction precedente off defaulte / Recei-
uinge appeales / appointinge coadiu-
tors to his ſuffragane weake Biſhop-
pes / makinge viccares generall / and
righte off Indulgences / tolerationes /
diſpenſationes and ſuche like righ-
tes ſett forth / as that booke ſayerh
in written lawes. His peculiar righ-
tes be ſubdeuided / into ciuill honores /
and Church priuiledges. The firſte ci-
uill honoure that is bragged off / is the
homage which the Earle off Gloaceſter
oweth him / whoſe heyres (as that
booke ſayerh) beinge vnder age / are
to be his wardes / by reaſon off diuers
Mannors in Kente / which the ſayed
Earle / and his heyres / holde off the Ar-
chbiſhoppe / and his ſucceſſore / as off
there theſe Lorde by foure Knightes ſer-
ce / and other ſeruices.

And that the ſame Earle muſte be
his ſtewarde / and theſe cupbearer the
daye off his Inthronization ; This is
not to be called gratiours Lordes

as the Lordes off the yearth are/ but this
is to be beyonde all grace/ and to be ser-
ued off these gracious Lordes/ and to be
there Lorde paramounte. In this rolle
of his noble Tenautes/ the nexte are the
Lorde Stranguais/ the Earle of Oxfor-
de/ the Lorde Darcy / all which (sayeth
he) owe seruice to that Archbis hopp.
where cometh in to be remembred/ one
verye regall prerogatyue in deede. For it
encounters hande to hande / euen with
The Kinges prerogatyue. That is / that
whereas in others comon persones cas-
ses / if there Tenaunte holde anye lande
off the Binge/ he shall haue the custodie
off both on and other/ the Archbis hoppe
shall yett againste the Binge retaine the
lande off his infante Tenaunte/ though he
holde of the Kinge by knightes seruice/
or in capite. which he proueth by a pre-
sidente in the minorye off this earle off
Oxforde in the tyme off the nowe Arch-
bis hope. Many other immunities very
princelike/ are recited both for him selfe/
for his/ and for his church.ouer Roche-
ster Bisshopricke/ besides that he was a
supes

superior Archbis hop/ he was also patros
ne and giner off it.

From this steppe he clymeth vppe
an other/ yet higher / that the Kinges off
this realme are crowned / and made by
him/as that which offright/is properlie
due vnto him/and theruppon telleth how
we the bis hope off Salisburie for his
malepart intruding him selfe/ to marie
the Kinge once / vnder color that it was
in Salisburie diocesse / was shrewdly
reproued / and to his reproche relected/
and the Archbis hope taken to doe it.
That the Kinge/ and Queene bee his do-
mesticall/ and speciall parishoners/ whe
resouer they bee in England / yea that
all England/ distinct in diuers diocesses/
is by reason off his primacie / his parish
she.

All this is recited / not as one that
telleth what oher saye/ but ther are ad-
ded arguments and reasons to proue it.
for saith he (the author off that booke I
meane) that theese thinges bee trewe/
yt appareth because all offringes off the
Kinge/ and Queene/ or other noblemen/
eithery in the Kinges chappell / or other

D v church

Church cathedrall/conuentuall/or paros
chiall / offred in the presence off the Ar
chbishoppe/are his owne/and shall not
goe euer to the Bisshope off the diocess
se/nor to the couent and chaptre/ no nor
to the deane off the Chappel off the
Kinge/much lesse to the poore priest off
the parish be.

His second parte off his subdiuision/
off his peculiar rightes/that is his Church
superioritie / and preuileges is pur
sued first with this Archonor / that the
Archbisshope off yorke with all humis
litie requireth to bee consecrate off him
off Canterbury/ and professeth obediens
ce in the consecration off Canterbury.
The Archbisshope off Ireland and Me
trapolitanes ther also take their rightes
off consecration off him/and binde them
selues to the seruice and attendance
off Canterbury see. Then descendeth
hee to the gistes / that euery bis suffra
gane prouinciall Bisshope bestoweth
on him / in their life / and at their des
aith some their palfreye / with saddel
and furniture / some there ringes /
and some there scales o Amonge the
rest

rest the Bisshoppe off Rochester / whose
is there called specialllye his chapleine/
giueth him A brace off Dogges. these
be trunnie thinges / for Prelates to giue
or receiue / especially / off them to make
such accomptes / as to printe them amon-
ge such speciall prerogatiues.

His iurisdiction cometh in nexte: wh-
ich is saied there / to be aboue all other
Archibiscopall and Metropolitan iuris-
diction / in this pointe / that it maie immedi-
atly / without appellatiō / or other ordina-
rie meane in Lawe most vnulie ad laicos
leslie / call before his tribunall / anye on /
out of any inferior court / examine his
cause / and iudge it. This is confirmed by
two speciall Popish reasons longe vsed
ad cōsente. So stretch the se Archi-
pall priuiledges / that there is no hoide /
that cā holde them out. For it is printed
in that booke / that both the vniuersities /
Cambridge / and Oxforde / be subiecte to
him / cōtrarie / I thinke / and in derogati-
on of the priuiledges / of those two we-
thy learned places / which weare more / as-
ble / and fitt / to visite him beig but one bo-
cause there be manye / and better learned.

There

There is not lefte out / so much as the
priuiledge that he hath / of dealinge with
the goodes / in diuers diocesses : for w
hich / the booke sayeth / that the other Bis
shoppes / did strue with him / but there /
saith the booke / did the power off the
Canterburye Archbis hoppe / hine / and
shewe forth it selfe / which will not be
p nched / with the straitte lawes / off an
Archbis hoppe / or Metropolitane / which
beinge not on'ye primate off all Englands
de / saith the booke / but also ordinarye /
and Bis hoppe off all Englande and so
beinge first instituted / will still / saith
the booke / sitt ouer them as his suffra
ganes. And once againe I saie all this is
not bare'ye reported but collected to the
greate praise off that sea / and with allo
wance / and without contrarie censure /
sett downe.

To make vpp all his goodlie glory / the
close off this treatise / is with that vsur
ped power off dispensation / which the
Pope beide againste / the lawes / off the
kinge off Eng'lande / and againste the es
terna' llawe / off the kinge off kinges Ie
sus Christe : and that this dispensinge
power

power / is translated to Canterburye.
In the Lawe off which translation
thoughe there be a god ye caution / that
nothinge shoulde be dispensed with / a-
gainste the expresse will off God / yet so
vnrule / is the vnramed / and vnbrideled
Arch-episcopall Jurisdiction / that nei-
ther Lawe / nor prouiso / can prouide /
to keepe him vnder lawes.

As a perfection to all these / is added
his soveraigne Arch-episcopall courtes or (for
ra) which name / I thincke / is therefore es-
quiuoche / to A Market / and courie / be-
cause in both / all thinges are to be solde
euen as in Rome. These courtes are set
forth / in there maiestye / there Judges /
Advocates / Proctors / Registers / there
seates off tribunall / there Priuiledges /
and there powers / all the solemnitye off
pleadinge and installinge anye newe
Doctor / not so much omitted / as there
sittinge downe / and risinge vpp. But a-
bout all this / muste come often / and es-
uer in / what a rule and absolute domi-
nion Tharchbis. beareth amonge them.
The auncientest off these / is the mother
courte off Bow Church / nexte by / that
off

off the audience/ but not so noble / as the
firste. The thirde is the courte off prerog
atiues/ which though it be not so wor
thie/ as the other two / yet it bringeth
more to the Rutchin. The fourth is that
vpstarte courte off faculties / latelye
translated to that sea. This courte/ saith
the booke/ hath no iudiciall seate / belike
because it nether executeth iustice nor ius
dgement but is executed in the Archbis
shoppes owne howse / as the booke sa
yeth. An other fiftie peltinge peculiar
courte there is for his owne Diocese
whereas/ saith that booke / that the
maner and custome off the Archbisshop
off Cantur. hath of olde bene/ and is/ that
all humaine thinges/ and deuine/ haue
at his onely disposition.

Thus haue you (sayeth that booke) all
the preeminences / priuiledges / prerog
atiues / Immunities / Iudgemente se
tes/ and courtes/ where by that Archdy
gnitie/ is in all pointes perfected/ and ab
solved And so farr is it of that 'thaurhor
theroff woulde haue it / reade as A pro
bable reporte off tymes past / that lest
sayeth he/ these thinges might be to you
doubtfull or vncertaine / I had my pros

fees from suche/and suche recordes whi-
ch sayeth he/ be off suche force in lawe
that not onlye in readinge/ but enē in iudg-
mēte/ theye stoppe a mā to saie the con-
trarie. In conclusio (as thoughe he tooke
pleasure in ofrē repeatyng it/ he maketh a
recapitulaciō/ of six fees betwene tharch-
bis hope and his suffragans/ and victories
that tharchbis hope had againste his suff-
ragans. for so he calleth at his pleasure the
poore vnderbishes sixe times (It tike)
together/ in that litle conclusion: not once
daiminge thē the name off bis hopes. and
in the ende lappeth vpp all / with these
wordes/ that he letteth loose/ and draweth
vpp againe/ at his will the licēcious rai-
nes/ off his vnbrideled iurisdiction / as
thoughe belike/ he woulde make all Eng-
lande an Assē / for him to ride on / and
misguide/ at his ambitious pleasure.

If in fiftene yeaeres this haughtynes
cā be hatched/ and put in private printe/
to flye with the ow'e by night / there
is no doubte but in fiftene hundred yea-
res more/ it woulde growe to be well fe-
thered / and perfectlye seidge / readie to
flye abroode in the daye tyme / with the
oher

other Birdes in publike writinges as
uowed/and chalenged. These therfore/
that will not prouide the medicine all
to late/muste resiste the beginnings/lea-
ste as it alreadye vaunterh it selfe aboue
all Ecclesiasticall degree/so by creepinge
vpp/in tyme/ it will assaie in an other a-
ge /to goe in the steppes/off some off the
forefathers / off that sea / and to treade
on the neckes / or to offer the stiroppe/
to the temporall Lorde/her naturall/so-
ueraigne Princes. We haue had to good
experience in our Cronicles /howe fast
that ill weede / Ambition / groweth in
there garden/especiallye if it be danged/
with to muche/off that goulden earthe.
And euen heerby maye somewhat appeare
howe needfull/it is to preuente suche mi-
schiefs. For who woulde haue beleeued/
that anye man/not in the behalfe off him
selfe / but in the fauour off anye thong:
he neuer/so arch a Prelate/would wright
re suche thinges/ as you haue heard he
ere. Whearin trulye I haue so kepte me/
to his wordes almost / as if I had bene
his translatour / especiallye in the wor-
des

des that are most proude / ambitious /
and that do arrogate most.

Nether maye the author off that booke
saye that he receiteth the bare historye /
for with all / I say againe / he alloweth
plainly off it / and euen in his transition
from his said pretended preface / off the
auncienty off true religion / in this land /
to his entended ttery off Austen / and
his fellowes / he speaketh as iff he weare
in a matter off great earnest / that for
this cause / he had more respecte to the
Authors wordes alleaged thorough
out that volume off lyues / then to the
gaucie off his owne stile / for that he
would not swerue from the truthe for
sothe) off the storie. And besides to what
end else worre he that booke / the whole
purpose whearoff / is to proue chauncis
entie off that sea together with the dig
nitie off them that satt therein / as appea
reth by the title or sumes off the chap
ter. To proue which auncientye off the
one / and dignitie off the / other these ma
ny other like popishe presumptions / and
presumptions poperies / are the best /
and onely argumentes. Which iff they
weare all gleaned / or rather mowed by

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handfuls / and seuered a part from that
which is spoken directly and to the pur-
pose / for thancientye off the poore Chri-
stian church in England / ther wolde bee
but a poore haruest off that mater / whis-
ch is so gailie pretended / euen scarce es-
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solēpne legend which followeth off Ido-
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man may iudge by that that is left of the
euē sitting in that throne professed Baal-
lites / and sworne Roanistes / except that
onely most truely gracious bis hope / and
blessed martyr / holy Cranmer / and this
man that now occupieth the Rome. All
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corded in this tie/ as though they weare
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ce to the good Christiā man/and what a
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gue/ off redd cappes / bloudie gownes/
golden crosses and succession off the
worlde (for by that name are cardinals
created ii) may well seeme a gaie/glitter
ring thing in the worldy wise eye: but
the wisdom off God treadeth them vn
der/as childissh toyes / and most vnpure
vanyties. The true Christian taketh no
pride / nor conceyt in them / but rather
bursteth out in tears / when vppon such
occasion hee seeth the plague off igno
raunce / and heauy iudgment off God
vppon those our farbers/ and former ti
mes / and then he singeth ye praises off
the mercies off our louing God / with
thane

shakes geuing / for that inestimable be-
nefit off knowledg / which he bestoweth
vppō vs / who yet for our synnes deserue
with the worst. yea if the heathen poet /
callēth it a vaine vaunt off many graund
fathers / and greate graundsiere / though
be they were veriuous. how vsfittinge
is it for him / that sits in the arches off
the Englishe Hierarchie / professing to
bee a minister off the simple gospell / off
poore Iesus Christ / whose Kingdome
and glorye is spirituall / thus like / a pore
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de/so confidently/and without any iud
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them made starcke blinde /and obstinas
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and the good Christian zelously grieved/
to see such vnlikely tales off Robin hoos
de/so impudently peepe forth in this bro
ade daye/which euen the/when they could
see to doe nothing without candles light
at high noone/ hardlie durst bee so har
dye/as to shewe ther balde heades/ but
in monkeish Cronickels and libraries
off the darcke monasteries.

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off England / might walter him wans
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approving of suche vngospellike legēds /
when he shall see this and suche like pub-
licly approued / wherby those old wic-
tales / are with all earnestnes reprovēd.

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that vaine collection / is neither my pur-
pose / nor to any purpose : thow shalt
beleefe to the latine printed booke / for
somuch theroff as is already set forth.
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so absolue that worke / and make vppe
euen the number off 70. Archbishops
as in that latine booke is onely promised.
It is very like (I saye) that though per-
haps this deuise may prevent him / for
the circumstaunce off tyme / and make
that borne before the tyme which the
fathr / ment should haue been borne af-
ter his deathe: yet in substance it will not
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licly approued / wherby those old wicke
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somuch theroff as is already set forth.
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armes / descended as he saith off his an

olent howse / entermaried with those off
his sea / which is a superstitious pall all
double croised / or perced thorowe / with
that Archpastorall / or Archpapistical
staffe. Hear with he marketh any thinge
that passeth his handes / so that though
perhapes / he will nowe so renouice / and
renoke it / as it shall not bee his will / afte
er his death: yet hauing seale / and beinge
by him deliuered / it must needes take ef
fecte by his life tyme / as his dede. And if
his handewriting / could giue any stren
ght vnto it / that is allso not wanting. for
this word (historiola) is writtē with his
owne hād / in redde oker letters / vppō the
browe of the booke / that by this oker mar
king / he may knowe his owne sheepe. And
as for the translation / though perhaps
that Archbishop set hi not a worke / that did
it / yet assure thy selfe / it is as faithfullie
dōe / as he colde. And if thou beest at any
time troubled / to make sense of the Engli
she in some places / thinke that he was
worse troubled / to make any reason off
the latine in many places. This rule is ke
pt thorough out / to goe as neere the
Latine as may bee / and if he will haue it
better

better donne by some other/the transla-
tor will not be discontented. But if you
demaund in very good earnest / why it
is put in print/ beinge so fond a thinge/
it must bee confessed euē in as good ear-
nest / that it weare to bee wished / dead
and buried / neuer to rise againe with 63.
off those 69 Canterburie tales / and narra-
tions. But yet lest yr might perhaps by
many writen copies / come into diuers
handes / or heer after whē matter of grea-
ter volumes is giue by his life or death/
bee all moulden vpp in one lumpe / and
printed againe together / and this added
to the rest / as a substancial tale to make
vpp the tale off those 72. promised tales
(for so his meaning is else would hee not
haue set downe seuētie Archbishops ha-
uing but 69 predecessors) perhapes this
may bee some good meane / either to let
that idle labor / or else to blase the credit
it deserueth before it stirreth into the worl-
de. And if it bee not possible / to deliuer
this ryme from the blemish / which is to
suffre such a legend off Cāterbury tales/
so bee printed / with gracions countena-
nce of the greatest church mā: yet at least /
this

this might bee done) to wipe away
this blot/that shall not suffer them goe
vndisgraced/ and vntaxed by one off the
meanest off the Laitie. I shall not need
to protest my selfe void off all affection
towards his parson / wo priuaty neuer
offended me. and that it is only the publi
ke offence/ that greueth mee. which yet
(if it need)loe here I doe / and solemplye
before you / with my penne take god to
wittnes off my hart / that he neuer hars
med mee/ in worde nor deede that I wo
re priuatlie. for whie my lot is so lowe/
that I dare saie he knoweth me not/yt is
onelye therefore / the common ill / that
may come by publishing such idell drea
mes in thes dayes / that maketh me doe
that I doe. The thinges therein described/
being in part/not all so true/ and in grea
test part / to to toyishe/ doe sufficiently
disclose the value off it/to the wise / and
that it is no precious stone/yet lest the
seekiest / might happen to esteeme / it but
worth a harlie corne / he shall haue two
or thre marginall notes for the trewer
vnderstanding off the storie.

I haue hereunto sett / which is more
then

the I thought to haue done/ at the fyrst/
one off his tables / printed in the saied
booke off 7. Archbishops / which table
if it had conteyned nothing but folie / it
shuld haue lien still for all mee: But haue
ing mater off impietie (as me thought)
I thought it very necessarie to detect it.

The effect is to shewe what a crea-
tor off Bishops he hath been/ and how
many he hath consecrated/ in his dayes/
their vniuersitie / their age / profession/
degree off learning/ diocese/ and naturall
contrye / a mater (I warrant) it off great
profit. And in the fyfthe columnne
theroff / you see noted the order / that is
very. off thes Bishops were off/ which
is either presbiter secular or presbiter
regular / and one or two he calleth mini-
ster secular : belike because he thought
(for I will not thinke that he wold haue
us thinke (that onely ther were not
a noynted/ with those fulsome orders. If
this bee sett downe as an honor vnto
them/ I dare pronounce for a great sorte
off them/ wheroff many bee godly men/
they thinke them selues dishonored by
this honor. And if the puttinge on off
sacke

factlothe/ or casting ashes on their crosses/
wold scowre a way that markes/
they wold do it with ready hartes.

But the blond off Christ was herh cleas-
ner then ashes can scowre / and who
lued in those pitchie tymes / and was
not bepitched . If thes titles off or-
ders / bee set downe / to tell the trothe/
first what was that to the purpose / or
to what good? For though nothing
is to bee said at any tyme But the tro-
the / yet I see not that all the truth is
to bee said at all tymes. Had not the
boke bene perfecte without suche an
vnnecessarie table / or the table perfect
without suche vnnecessarie columnes?

And if the simple playnes / and sing-
lenes off the writer / were such as he
must needs tell all the truth / whye did
he not at least / in the behalfe off those
godly men / and preachers off the truth /
set out withall / this truth also / that is /
how sorie they are / and ashamed of that
their former priesthoode and howe
lothsome thes disorderly orders are to
them? for if in our familiar talke / one
do an other / euen very honest humani-
ties /

the/ and good manner forbidden to name
me any vnclean worde/ nor hauing first
regarded the reuerence off the hearers:
howe can it but prouoke vomyt / to any
good spirituall stomacke/ iff wee in mat-
ters off diuinitie/ speake off such sluttish
things/ as (saunge of spirituall reue-
rence) that beastly mark of the Romaine
sacrificing priesthood without shewing
by some litle worde before/ or after/ wa-
hat wee thinke off it. I woid bee glad
to enterpret well off it / this I like not
that in the same table / next after the
Archbishepp / whoe must needs bee
first/ though he had been but benet and
collect/ Ther are placed the regular prie-
stes. I can not thinke / he honored those
se aboute the other / and yet me thinks/
as in the Romanist Church / they haue
the higher place / in so much that the o-
ther / though affter a sorte / and
in regard off the lay men / were cal-
led spirituall / or men off the Church
rather (for all oher were counted
worldlye) yet euen those men off holy
Church were allso called secular / in
respekte off the onely simpl^y and
wholye

wholye spirituall professed regulars.
Contrariwise (I saye) with a zelouse
professed gospeller / they should haue
been the more detested / and therefore pla
ced in the rayle. I speake not off the men /
but off the orders / which orders. I am
sure / if I doe mislike in them / they them
selues doe abhorre in them selues.

But that which is worse / though
that ther bee diuers wrongly named /
who as I thinke hauing neuer been pri
ests / are yet named priests secular / ther
is in the midst off them onely two /
where of one in the one province / and o
ne in the other / are sett downe mynistr
ers. And they forso: he by cause they mu
ste bee disfigured / like the other are also
tearmed ministri seculares first you did
wronge / so to nyckname all the other
Christian men / or bishops / as to miscall
them priests ether secular / or regular /
who haue put out that character / and
cleaue put off those uncleane orders by
repentaunce / as if they had neuer bene /
and are become prechers off the glori
ous gospell off Iesus Christ.

Item / now you doe great wronge /

to those other / by giving them a name /
in any part common with Idolatrous
priests / them I say / who even at the
first / were called immediatly / to the holy
mynistrie / off the glad tydings / off our
saluacion / revealed nowe againe / more
electlie in these last dayes especyally:
the profession / and institution off that
preisthode beinge so contrary to the cal-
linge off this mynistrie / as Antechrist to
Christ / and Baal to the lyuing god.

Besides this epithete (secular) how
contrarie is it / to the function off a spiri-
tuall pastor / a minister / off the worde
off God / and breake of the bread off
lyfe: where out off the Roman clergie /
I shall a man finde / suche a title for the
minister off the worde / as to call him a
minister secular. What els did cause De-
mas to steppe from the ministrye / but
presens seculum: And what an heape
off iniuries / are done to the ministers off
the glorious gospel off Iesus Christe /
to call them Regular Priestes / or secular
preistes / still / that haue shaken it off / and
haue happelye disgraded themselves /

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by takyng vpon them / a farre better deu
gree: then theroff to call them priestes
secular/which weare neuer oither / then
ministers off the worde off God. And
euen he/whome he himselfe calleth mi
nister/ yet because he shoulde not disgra
ce (whearin me thynkes / the violence is
offred/ rather to the Gospell/ then to the
minister) that ignomimous Priestho
ode off Baal/ and shame there stayned
garmentes / with his faier garmente/
that therefore/ he must also/ be disguised
with this Popishe addition / and pro
faned epithite off secular. Perhappes the
spirite which was in Caiphas his mon
the/ ad made hi prophecye vnware/ was
also in his penn / that wrote this booke/
in callinge them secular/whome indeade
this presens seculum/ and the honore
theroff/ hath made to worldlye/ and be
witched / to the greate ruihe / off manye
good Christian hartes. I beseeche God/
with his spirite/ to open theire eyes/ that
theye maye see/ and be hartelye sorye so
to haue made/ so manye so sorye. Which
I yet hoope for / and then/ we shall be
gladd

gladd togiðhere. I am almoste caryed a
waye.

There lurkech yet / a further daunge
ger / vnder these wordes / Minister se
cular. For thoughe in the darke daies/or
off those men / that weare consecrate/
or rather excrete / to that most vile vns
holye sacrifice / it had some reason / to
call the Massinge Prieste / a priste secu
lar thereby / to make distinction betwe
ne him / and the onlye spirituall regular:
yet / in this tyme off the Gospell / to call
one / that was godlye called / to the blis
sed / and highe office / in Godes Church
off preachinge the Gospell / off the Lor
de Iesus / who also did neuer vowe / to
sacrifice that blasphemous oblation/
and Idoll / but was moued onlye/
to aduance the kingdome off God /
by preachinge his word / to call such
one (I saye) and in these dayes a Mi
nister secular / besides the other open
euilles this also lurketh dangerouslye/
that yt maye be probablie thoughte/
there is nourished some reuerente estis
mation off the regular / and easelye to

be implied that it mighte be lawefully
enough euen in the Church off God/
to haue Ministers also regulars. Elles/
what need this distinction off secular
Minister nowe / the other beinge iustly
gone / and banished?

And this Church off Englande / alle
owinge no mandeuised order / off regula
lar ministerie: The verye entertayninge/
off these badde names / off Poperye / is
not good / and it is strange / that anye gos
peller / shoulde delighte in them / and
heere / theye are not vsed without sure
ther perill. For though the tymes be
such / and so enriched with knoweledge/
as A numbre off childre / woulde not vo
catesafe to laughe / at manye off these dos
tinge toyes : yet there be also to manye/
that cannot / and to to manye that will
not discerne / betwene counterfaited
drosse / and righte drugges / but so it be
in gilded boxe / and haue the name off
some holesome spice / written on it: all is
one with them / euen to the losse off there
healthes everlastinge / and deathe / both
off bodye / and soule. Whear againste /
though

though I be not so learned a Phisicion/
as to prescribe anye excellent receipte/
or soueraigne triacle/ but leave that/ to
be done by some Galene: ye thoughte I
neverthe lesse/ to do the parte off an ho-
nest Apothecarye whoe/ beinge not able
to tell the remedie/ will yet warne off the
poyson.

The Lorde off all health/ preserve
the sounde/ from all infections/ and resto-
re the infected/ to there soundnes agai-
ne/ giuinge them pacience/ in the meane
tyme/ like good patients/ to suffer such
medicine/ as shalbe applied to remedye
off there contagious disease/ with the re-
membraunce off this/ that noe medicine
is so holesome/ as that/ which bringeth
greatest sorrowe/ and that the woundes

off a brother/ or freende/ are swee-
ter/ then the softe pillas
wes of an enes
mye.



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De Antiquitate Britannicæ Ecclesiæ, & Priuilegijs
Ecclesiæ Cantuariensis cum Archiepiscopis eiusdem,

In the Prouince of Canterbury.

Vniuersi- tie.	Diocesse.	Name.	Degree.	Order.	Countrie.	Age.	Consecration and Confir- mation.
Camebridge	Canterbury	Matth. Parker	D. of diuin.	secular priest	of norwich	LVI.	1559. Decem 17.
	Chichester	willm Barlow	D. off diuin.	regular priest	of Essex	LX.	Confirm. 1559. 20. off Decemb.
Cambridge	Landoffe	Anth. kitchin	D. off diuin.	regular priest.		LXVIII.	1545. 3. of maye.
		Anth. Dunston					
Camebridge	Hereforde	Iohn Scorye	Ba. off diuin.	Regular priest	of norffolke	XLVII.	Confirm 1559. 20. of Decem.
Camebridge	London	Edmond Grindall	Ba. off diuin.	Secular priest	of Cumberland	XL.	1559. 21. of decemb.
Cam. & oxf.	Elye	Richard Coxe	D. off diuin.	Secular priest	of buckingham	IX.	1559. 21. of december.
Camebridge	worcester	Edwin Sandes	D. off diuin.	Secular priest	of lanke hire	XLIII.	1559. 21. of december.
Oxforde	Bangor	Rowl. Meriche	D. off lawe.	Secular priest	of wales	LIII.	1559. 21. of decemb.
Oxforde	S. Dauides	Tho. Yonge	D. off lawe.	Secular priest	of wales	LII.	1559. 2. of ianua.
Oxf. & Cam.	Lincoln	Nich. Bolingham	D. off lawe.	secular minist.	of worcester	XLVIII.	1559. 21. of ianua.
Oxforde	Salisbury	Iohn Iuell.	Ba. off diuin.	secular priest	of Deuonshire	XL.	1559. 21. of ianua.
Oxforde	Asaph	Rich. Dauides	Maister of art	secular priest	of wales	L.	1559. 21. of ianua.
Camebridge	Rocheſter	Ed. Gueſt	B. off diuin.	secular priest	of Yorke	LI.	1559. 21. of ianua.
Camebridge	Bathe & welles	Gilbert Barchley	B. off diuin.	regular priest	of Lincoln.	LII.	1559. 24. of Mar.
Oxford	Lichfeld & Cou.	Iohn Bentham	Maister off art	secular priest	of Yorke	XLVI.	1559. 24. of Mart.
Camebridge	Exceter.	willm Alleye	Maister of art	secular priest	Barkshire.	L.	1560. 14. of iuli.
Oxforde	Norwich	Iohn Parcuſt	maister of art	secular priest	Somerset.	L.	1560. 1. of Septemb.
Camebridge	wincheſter	Röbt Horne	D. off diuin.	secular priest	off Cumberland	XLVI.	1560. 16. of ianua.
Camebridge	Peterborough	Edw. Scambler	D. off diuin.	secular priest	of lankeſhire	XLII.	1560. 16. of ianua.
Oxforde	S. Dauides	Rich. Dauides					Confir. 1561. 21. of May.
Oxforde	Asaphe	Tho. Dauides	D. of law.	secular priſt	of wales	XLIX.	1561. 26. of May.
	Gloceſter	Rich. Cheyney	B. of diuin.	secular priest	of London	XLIX.	1562. 19. of Aprill.
Camebridge	Briſtowe	the ſaide Rich.					
Oxforde	Landoffe	Hughe Dauides	B. of law.	secular priest	of wales	LVIII.	1566. 5. of May.
Camebridge	Bangor	Nich. Robinson	D. of diuin.	secular priest	off wales	XLII.	1566. 20. off Octob.
Oxford.	Oxford	Hughe Coren	D. off law.	secular priest	weſtmerland.		Confir. 1567. 14. of Octob.
Camebridge	Chicheſter	Rich. Corteiſe	D. off diuin.	secular priest	of lincoln	XLVIII.	1570. 20. of May
Oxf. & Cam.	worceſter	Mich. Bolingham					Confirm. 1570. 26. of ianua.
Oxforde	Lincoln	Tho. Cooper	D. off diuin.	secular priest	of oxforde	LI.	1570. 24. of Februar.
Oxforde	Exceter	will. Bradbridge	D. off diuin.	secular priest	of london	LIII.	1570. 18. of March.
Camebridge	London	Edw. Sandes					Confir. 1570. 13. iul.
Camebridge	Salisbury	Edw. Gueſt					Confirm. 1571. 24. decemb.
Camebridge	Rocheſter	Edw. Freake	D. off diuin.	secular priest	of Essex	LVI.	1571. 9. of March.

In the prouince of Yorke.

Oxforde	Yorke	Tho Yonge					Confirm. 1561. 25. of Februa.
Camebridge	Dureſme	Iames Pilkington	B. of diuini.	secular minist.	of lankeſhire.	XLV.	1561. 2. of March.
Oxforde	Cheſter	will. Doreham		regular priest.	of hereford	L.	1561. 4. of May.
Oxforde	Carleile	Iohn Beſt		secular priest.	of Yorke	XLVIII.	1561. 2. of March.
Camebridge	Yorke nominat.	willm Maye	D. of law.	secular priest	of ſuffolke	LIII.	not consecrated
Camebridge	Yorke	Edmund grindall					Confirm. 1570. 23. of May.
Oxford.	Carleile	Rich. Barnes		secular priest.	of lankeſhire	XLIII.	